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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Divisional of Application Serial No. 09/228,239 of Mitsuyoshi MAKINO  
PLASMA DISPLAY PANEL AND METHOD FOR DRIVING THE SAME  
**Assignee: NEC CORPORATION**  
Our Ref: Q68027

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/228,239 (Confirmation No. not yet assigned) filed January 11, 1999 of Mitsuyoshi MAKINO entitled PLASMA DISPLAY PANEL AND METHOD FOR DRIVING THE SAME.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 8 sheets of formal drawings as filed with the original parent application, 8 sheets of formal drawings as filed on November 15, 2001 in parent application 09/228,239, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and a Form PTO-1449 listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2879.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
JAPAN	10-002855	January 9, 1998

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/228,239.

A Preliminary Amendment is being submitted herewith.

Following entry of the Preliminary Amendment filed herewith, the Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	4 - 20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$720.00
Independent claims	1 - 3	=		x	\$84.00	=	\$84.00
Base Fee							\$740.00

**TOTAL FILING FEE**

**\$740.00**

A check for the statutory fee of \$740.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire

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pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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